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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly provide as follows:

> "*Rule 158*
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> "The General Assembly shall appoint an expert Committee on Contributions consisting of eighteen members.
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> "*Rule 159*
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> "The members of the Committee on Contributions, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, shall be selected on the basis of broad geographical representation, personal qualifications and experience and shall serve for a period of three years corresponding to three calendar years. Members shall retire by rotation and shall be eligible for reappointment. The General Assembly shall appoint the members of the Committee on Contributions at the regular session immediately preceding the expiration of the term of office of the members or, in case of vacancies, at the next session."

* A/61/50 and Corr.1.

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2. The present membership of the Committee is the following:

Mr. Kenshiro Akimoto (Japan)*
Mr. Petru Dumitriu (Romania)*
Mr. Paul Ekorong A Dong (Cameroon)**
Mr. Gordon Eckersley (Australia)**
Mr. Haile Selassie Getachew (Ethiopia)*
Ms. Sujata Ghorai (Germany)***
Mr. Bernardo Greiver del Hoyo (Uruguay)**
Mr. Hassan Mohammed Hassan (Nigeria)**
Mr. Ihor V. Humenny (Ukraine)*
Mr. Eduardo Hector Iglesias (Argentina)**
Mr. David A. Leis (United States of America)*
Mr. Vyacheslav Anatolievich Logutov (Russian Federation)***
Mr. Meshal A. M. A. Al-Mansour (Kuwait)*
Mr. Richard Moon (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)***
Mr. Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea)***
Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes Ramos (Portugal)**
Mr. Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto (Brazil)***
Mr. Wu Gang (China)***

* Term of office expires on 31 December 2006.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 2007.

*** Term of office expires on 31 December 2008.

3. Since the terms of office of Mr. Akimoto, Mr. Dumitriu, Mr. Getachew, Mr. Humenny, Mr. Leis and Mr. Al-Mansour will expire on 31 December 2006, it will be necessary for the General Assembly at its sixty-first session to appoint six persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2007.

4. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the sixty-first session.